

SENATE No. 132

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

James B. Eldridge

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act to protect victims of unlicensed debt collection activity.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
James B. Eldridge	Middlesex and Worcester
Lori Ehrlich	8th Essex
Steven J. D'Amico	4th Bristol
Jennifer M. Callahan	18th Worcester
Thomas M. Stanley	9th Middlesex
Gale D. Candaras	First Hampden and Hampshire

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT TO PROTECT VICTIMS OF UNLICENSED DEBT COLLECTION ACTIVITY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Section 1. Section 28 of Chapter 93 of the Massachusetts General Laws is hereby amended by adding at
2 the end thereof the following:-

3 “Any person who engages in the business of debt collection without a license shall be liable in restitution
4 to any person collected against, and all other persons similarly situated to such person who the court
5 certifies are members of a class under section 9 of chapter 93A, for any money or property obtained as a
6 result of such unlicensed debt collection activity in addition to any other damages allowed by law.”